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Applicant	: James F. PITZEN et al.		
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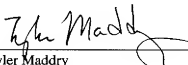
A response to Non-final Office Action was filed in the above-identified patent application on May 29, 2008. All formal requirements with regard to the application and response are believed to have been satisfied. Nonetheless, Applicants have not received any communication on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Since six (6) months have passed from the filing of the response, Applicants would appreciate an indication as to when they might receive further communication on the merits from the USPTO.

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